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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2005, Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), up to and including May 22, 2006, in the above-referenced application. A check in the amount of \$510 for the three-month extension of time is attached herewith. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

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